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SUBJECT: GDR AMBASSADOR FLORIN GIVES VIEWS ON DISARMAMENT  
AND BRZEZINSKI'S " NEW BLOC"

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1. GDR NEWSPAPERS MARCH 26 GIVE INSIDE  
COVERAGE TO A CALL MADE THEDAY BEFORE BY GDR  
AMBASSADOR TO THE UN, PETER FLORIN, ON UN SECRETARY  
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GENERAL WALDHEIM TO PRESENT A LETTER SUPPORTING  
THE CALLING OF A SPECIAL UN SESSION ON DISARMAMENT,  
THE GDR LETTER CALLS  
UPON UN MEMBERS TO GIVE THEIR APPROVAL BY APRIL 15  
OF THIS YEAR TO THE CONVENING OF THIS SPECIAL SESSION  
IN 1978 IN RESPONSE TO A SOVIET INITIATIVE AT THE  
LAST UNGA SESSION IN SEPTEMBER 1976. THE LETTER

PRAISES THE SOVIET INITIATIVE AND DESCRIBES IT AS PART OF A " PACKAGE" OF PROPOSALS FOR LIFTING THE ARMS BURDEN FROM THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD AND FOR FORWARDING THE RELAXATION OF TENSIONS ON A WORLD-WIDE BASIS. MENTION IS ALSO MADE OF THE DISARMAMAMENT CONFERENCE MEETINGS IN GENEVA WHICH " HAVE ALREADY SHOWN THEIR WORTH IN PRODUCING A NUMBER OF CONCRETE RESULTS." THE LETTER ALSO STATES THAT THE SPECIAL SESSION WOULD GIVE THE OPPORTUNITYFOR A COMPREHENSIVE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS LEADING TO THE SOVIET-SPONSORED WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

2. THE GDR LETTER ON DISARMAMAMENT FOLLOWS PUBLICATION OF A REPORT MADE BY FLORIN TO THE SED CENTRAL COMMITTEE A FEW DAYS AGO COVERING DISARMAMENT AND OTHER SUBJECTS. IN THE SAME REPORT, FLORIN ATTACKED " IMPERIALIST POLITICIANS" AND SPECIFICALLY THE IDEA OF A " NEW BLOC" OF COUNTRIES COMPOSED OF THE DEVELOPED, DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES OF NORTH AMERICA, WESTERN EUROPE AND THE FAR EAST BY NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR BRZEZINSKI. FLORIN DESCRIBED THE " NEW BLOC" AS A " MECHANISM FOR TRILATERAL CONSULTATIONS" IN ORDER TO PROMOTE THE SPIRITUAL AND SOCIAL VALUES,WHICH THESE COUNTRIES REPRESENT, IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF MANKIND. FLORIN DESCRIBED THE IDEA AS REMINISCENT OF THE "UNHOLY, HOLY ALLIANCE".

3. COMMENT: FLORIN'S RATHER NEGATIVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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APPRAISAL OF BRZEZINSKI'S TRILATERAL CONSULTATIVE CONCEPT IS IN CONTRAST TO THE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION (REFTEL (C) ) OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR, WHO WAS CALLED " REALISTIC" IN HIS APPROACH TO THE SOVIET UNION IN AN EARLIER PUBLIC LECTURE. WHILE FLORIN DID NOT, ON THIS OCCASION, CRITICIZE BREZEZINSKI'S FOR HIS VIEWS ON THE USSR, THE OPEN CRITICISM OF ANY ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL IS STILL UNUSUAL HERE. FLORIN'S PRAISE FOR CCD IS AN INFREQUENT REFERENCE IN THE GDR PRESS TO THESE TALKS AND CAN BE TAKEN TO BE THE OFFICIAL GDR VIEW. POLANSKY

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